UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

Case No. 25-3497

Jonathan Daniel Clements,
Appellant-Plaintiff,

v.

State of Arkansas, et al.,
Appellees-Defendants

MOTION TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCE APPELLATE STAY

NOW COMES Appellant Jonathan Daniel Clements, proceeding pro se, and respectfully moves this Honorable Court, pursuant to Rule 27 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, to compel compliance by the Booneville District Court with the appellate stay pending review, and to enforce jurisdictional boundaries affirmed by the Court of Appeals.

1. On December 19, 2025, this Court docketed the instant appeal sua sponte under case number 25-3497 and acknowledged that the appeal had been accepted. A Notice of Automatic Jurisdictional Stay was thereafter filed on December 30, 2025.

2. The Booneville District Court and its Clerk have continued to obstruct the appeal by refusing to accept filings directly related to this matter, including the required Notice of Stay.

3. On January 5, 2026, Appellant attempted to submit a hard copy of the Notice of Stay to the Booneville Clerk. The Clerk refused to accept the document and stated explicitly that she was ordered by the presiding judge to reject all filings from Appellant and that this federal appellate case “has nothing to do” with the Booneville case, despite it arising from the same set of facts.

4. Further, on November 20, 2025, the presiding Booneville judge refused to accept appellate paperwork in open court, requiring Appellant to spend personal funds to re-serve the court via

certified mail.

5. The Clerk’s refusal constitutes a direct act of noncompliance with the authority of this Court, obstructs the lawful appellate process, and violates principles of judicial conduct under the Doctrine of Clean Hands.

6. Appellant respectfully requests this Court:
a. Issue an order compelling the Booneville District Court to accept and docket all appellate-related filings, including Notices of Stay;
b. Issue supervisory clarification that the appeal under docket 25-3497 takes precedence over the lower court's jurisdiction;
c. Impose any sanctions deemed appropriate under appellate authority for continued obstruction or defiance of jurisdiction.

Appellant affirms under penalty of perjury that the facts stated herein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

Submitted this 5th day of January, 2026.

/s/ Jonathan Daniel Clements
Jonathan Daniel Clements
Appellant-Plaintiff
ECC-TRUST-JDC-005 (Ecclesiastical Sovereign Trust)